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SAM SITE D04-2

THANH HOA, NORTH VIETNAM

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: THIS BRIEFING BOARD SHOWS THE RESULTS OF AN AIR STRIKE ON THANH HOA SAM SITE D04-2, THE FORTY-SECOND SITE IDENTIFIED IN NORTH VIETNAM.

2. REMARKS: ON [REDACTED] THE FIRST SAM SITE (B17-2) IN [REDACTED] 25X1 NORTH VIETNAM WAS OBSERVED ON PHOTOGRAPHY. SAM SITES 2 AND 3 WERE FIRST OBSERVED IN MAY; SITE 4 IN JUNE; SITES 5,6, AND 7 IN JULY; SITES 8 THROUGH 18 IN AUGUST; SITES 19 THROUGH 22 IN SEPTEMBER; SITES 23 THROUGH 33 IN OCTOBER; AND SITES 34 THROUGH 51 IN NOVEMBER.

3. COLLATERAL: STRIKE DATA REPORTS THE SITE WAS STRUCK ON [REDACTED] 25X1 [REDACTED] BY NINE US NAVY AIRCRAFT SUPPORTED BY [REDACTED] 25X1 TWENTY-SEVEN ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT. ORDNANCE EXPENDED CONSISTED OF TWENTY-FOUR 250 POUND, THIRTY-FOUR 500 POUND, AND FIVE 2000 POUND GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS.

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PAGE 2 OF 44. MISSION READOUT: PRE-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF BLUE SPRINGS 25X1

REVEALED THANH HOA SAM SITE D04-2, 25X1

LOCATED 33 NM NORTH-NORTHEAST OF HANOI. THE SITE CONSISTED OF SIX REVETTED LAUNCH POSITIONS (FIVE OCCUPIED), A REVETTED CENTRAL GUIDANCE AREA (OCCUPIED), AND THREE REVETTED MISSILE-HOLD POSITIONS (OCCUPIED).

POST-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF 25X1

REVEALS THAT AS THE 25X1

RESULTS OF AN AIR STRIKE TWO OF THE LAUNCH POSITIONS HAVE SUSTAINED DAMAGE. ONE MISSILE IN A REVETTED LAUNCH POSITION IS BURNING, A SECOND REVETTED LAUNCH POSITION CONTAINS A DAMAGED MISSILE ON A LAUNCHER, THE MISSILE HAS BEEN BROKEN BETWEEN THE STABILIZER AND THE NOSE SECTION. THE NOSE SECTION/WAR HEAD IS OBSERVED LAYING ON THE GROUND. ONE REVETTED MISSILE-HOLD POSITION CONTAINS TWO DAMAGED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS. A SECOND REVETTED MISSILE-HOLD POSITION CONTAINS A PROBABLY DAMAGED MISSILE TRANSPORTER. THE THIRD REVETTED MISSILE-HOLD POSITION CONTAINS AN UNDAMAGED MISSILE TRANSPORTER. THE REVETTED CENTRAL GUIDANCE AREA IS PARTIALLY OBSCURED

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BY SMOKE, HOWEVER VISIBLE PORTIONS APPEAR UN-  
DAMAGED. A PROBABLE ACQUISITION RADAR LOCATED 500  
FEET WEST OF THE SITE APPEARS UNDAMAGED. FOUR  
MISSILE-TRANSPORTERS ARE NOTED ON A ROAD AP-  
PROXIMATELY 1250 FEET SOUTHWEST OF THE SITE.

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